

RELIGIOUS RELIEF FUND IS INCREASED BY \$1,090.10

Contributions Flow In From Social Clubs, Churches and Many Individuals.

AUNCH NEW ASSOCIATION

Prominent Richmond Folk Form Organization for Foreign Relief, With Fixed Membership Fee and Dues, Payable Each Month.

More than \$1,000 was received yesterday by Colonel H. M. Boykin, chairman of the Virginia State Religious Relief Commission. Contributions came from all parts of the State, from church associations, county committees, social clubs and from individuals.

A foreign relief association has been formed at a meeting held in the home of J. T. Anderson, 908 West Franklin street. Henry W. Anderson was elected chairman; William H. White, Robert Leigh, Jr., Leola R. Page, John Stewart Bryan and John Howard, vice presidents; Mrs. Clemens ap-Cateby, secretary, and Mrs. Charles de Leeuw, treasurer. The membership fee was fixed at \$1, and the dues at 50 cents a month.

CONTRIBUTIONS COME FROM ALL OVER STATE

The contributions received yesterday by Colonel Boykin are as follows:

Richmond County committee	5.00
Henrico County committee	11.25
St. Hope and Civic League	7.85
Lester Manor committee	154.11
V. M. Ravelings, Lawrenceville	2.50
Oliver Branch Church, Toano	15.00
Isaac Baptist Church, Rice	17.00
W. J. Anderson, Richmond	1.00
Mr. J. H. A. Rufford	1.00
M. C. C. Rufford	2.50
R. C. Rufford	2.50
C. C. Rufford	2.50
G. H. Rufford	2.50
H. W. Rufford	2.50
Henry Fairfax, Loudoun	10.00
St. Andrew's Chapel, Cobham	2.00
St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Albemarle city	61.45
Richmond County committee, Providence Sunday School	80.00
Dare	3.50
Winter Park Presbyterian Sunday School	17.45
Mr. M. G. city	1.00
Mr. A. G. city	1.00
W. Anderson, city	5.00
Henry Anderson, city	5.00
Virginia Anti-Suffrage Association, city	6.00
The Plains and Marshall Grain	150.00
Albany Baptist Church, Bowling Green	23.02
Myrna M. E. Church, Sheppards	5.00
Mr. Sarah A. Pollard, Sheppards	1.00
Mr. Paul M. Jones, Sheppards	1.00
Wash. Henrico County	15.00
Mr. E. H. White, Leesburg	20.00
Mr. A. Claggett, Leesburg	5.00
Mr. F. Wysox, Pulaski	2.25
Mr. S. Hoge, treasurer	2.25
Hamilton	20.00
Mr. J. H. Hoge, Leesburg	38.02
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Mr. G. Wingfield, Atlee	2.50
Mr. L. M. Goodwin, Monticomy, Ala.	5.00
Mr. J. H. Hoge, Leesburg	17.77
Mr. E. Snidow & Son, Leesburg	10.00
Mr. J. H. Hoge, Leesburg	7.00
Mr. W. Mason, Leesburg	5.00
Mr. A. Johnston, Leesburg	5.00
Mr. J. H. Hoge, Leesburg	23.50
Mr. J. H. Hoge, Leesburg	100.00
Mr. J. H. Hoge, Leesburg	5.00
Mr. J. H. Hoge, Leesburg	7.61
Mr. J. H. Hoge, Leesburg	35.25
Mr. J. H. Hoge, Leesburg	5.00
Mr. J. H. Hoge, Leesburg	5.00
Mr. J. H. Hoge, Leesburg	1.00
Mr. J. H. Hoge, Leesburg	3.25
Mr. J. H. Hoge, Leesburg	29.05
Mr. J. H. Hoge, Leesburg	2.55
Mr. J. H. Hoge, Leesburg	4.00
Total	\$1,090.10

COMPANY ALLOWS CITY TO RUN PIPE ACROSS BRIDGE

Run Over Fifth Street Viaduct Will Carry Water to High Land Park.

The Administrative Board was notified yesterday by the Virginia Railway and Power Company that the city could be permitted to run a six-inch water pipe across the Fifth Street bridge to supply Highland Park with water. The street railway company pointed out that it did not own the bridge outright, but that it did control the majority of the stock held by the Northern Virginia Electric and Power Company, the owner of the bridge. In granting permission for the laying of the pipe, it provided that both companies be held harmless in case of any damage. The matter was referred to the City Attorney, with the request that he prepare an agreement with the Virginia Railway and Power Company.

Superintendent Trafford, of the Electric Plant, was instructed by the board to charge a rate of 3 cents kilowatt hour for all electric current consumed in city buildings. The contract for grading, paving and curbing Seventh Street, from Semmes street to the Ninth Street Bridge, was awarded to Phillips' Sons, the lowest bidder, at \$8,744.75.

In order to determine the responsibility of the city for damages resulting from improvements in annexed territory before November 5, Carlton McCarty moved the City Attorney to request that he render an opinion on the following question, without reference to any particular case: "Is the city of Richmond responsible, or can it be held responsible in law, for damages to property caused by street improvements ordered by any town recently annexed by the city and completed before November 5, 1914? The object of this question, it was stated, is to ascertain, if possible, whether or not the city of Richmond can be held responsible for acts of townships fully organized, resulting in damages before annexation took place." The resolution was adopted.

Auditor's Report Printed.

The printed report of State Auditor Lee Moore for the year ended September 30, was delivered yesterday to the Superintendent of Public Printing by his bottom. The volume is 431 pages in bulk, neatly bound and indexed for convenient reference. It is the heaviest and most comprehensive of all the annual reports received from State Departments. The fiscal statement which heads the report shows these exhibits: receipts for the general fund of the commonwealth, special receipts, disbursements out of the general fund and special disbursements. A resume of the Auditor's report has already been given publicly.

Berger Hearing To-Day.

The case against Joseph Berger, charged with exposing Margaret Stalley to lewd and immoral influences, will be called in the Police court to-day. This case has been postponed several times. Police man Bertelme arrested Berger after the girl had been located by the police and had been returned to her parents.

Police Case Continued.

The case against J. M. Hays, arrested on a charge of operating a police shop, was yesterday continued until December 22 in the Police Court. Justice of the Peace Pat J. McCarthy furnished the required \$300 bond.

Another Way to Show Your Christmas Spirit

IF YOU REALLY MEAN IT, DO YOUR CHRISTMAS MAILING EARLY!



Think About the Folks Who Are Going to Deliver Your Christmas Gifts as Well as Those Who Are Going to Receive Them.

COURT HEARS EVIDENCE IN BIG SUIT AGAINST CITY

J. Smith & Co. Seek Payment of \$57,000 for Alleged Extra Work.

Trial of the suit instituted by J. Smith & Co. against the city of Richmond for the recovery of \$57,000, an extra expense said to have been incurred by the contracting company in constructing the new Mayo bridge was begun yesterday before Judge E. H. Wells, of Hustings Court, Part II. For the sake of being convenient to the records of the City Engineer's office, the case is being heard in the Chambers Court rooms. There was a temporary hitch in the proceedings when Judge Wells announced that he would be forced to postpone the case if it were not finished by Saturday, when his term expires. It was finally agreed that if the case be not finished by tomorrow night that it be continued until Monday, when there would be no further bar. A demurrer to the bill was entered by the city, and was overruled by the court.

The contracting company claims that drawings submitted by the City Engineer's office did not show the true bed-rock line of the river, and that the company, on the basis of the city's profit, made a much lower estimate than it would have done had its engineers been informed of the increased amount of concrete work that would be needed. It was replied by the City Engineer's office that the city could not be held responsible for mistakes made by the company's engineers, and that the city had not extended its liability to the city's engineers.

The taking of evidence was begun yesterday afternoon. The city is being represented by City Attorney Pollard and Assistant City Attorney Anderson, and the plaintiffs by Attorneys Minnie J. Fulton and Kirk Matthews.

May Recommend Changes.

When the report of the Auditing Committee of the General Assembly is submitted to the Governor a few days hence, it will carry some interesting recommendations. While State Accountant Frank Smith and members of the committee decline to discuss the matter in advance, it is understood that some changes in bookkeeping for the different departments are to be recommended. The committee decided after inspecting the report of State Accountant Smith and discussing matters pertaining to the keeping of accounts with him, to devote several days to making further inquiries and formulating the suggestions to be made to the Governor.

Convicted of Assault.

John Binford and William Supple, colored, indicted on a charge of highway robbery, were convicted yesterday in the Hustings Court of assault with a battery. Against Binford, the jury brought in a verdict of twelve months in jail and a fine of \$100, and against Supple, a verdict of six months in jail. The two men were charged with holding up and robbing Arthur W. H. Hoyle, of Sanford, N. C.

Morning, Noon and Night—HOLSUM Pan Biscuits.

TRAGLE'S

Gift Suggestions

- Pullman Slippers
- Photo Albums
- Post Card Albums
- Thermometers
- Auto Goggles
- Lunch Baskets
- Children's Plates
- Brass Jardiniere
- Alarm Clocks
- Watches
- Thermos Bottles
- Gillette Razors
- Shaving Mirrors
- Sterling Silver Sets
- German Silver Sets
- Leather Goods and Novelties
- Pyralin Ivory Goods
- Kodaks
- Stationery
- Perfume and Toilet Articles
- Fine Cardies

Come in and let us help you make up your Christmas list.

JACKSON MONUMENT FOLK PREFER BOULEVARD SITE

Address Letter to Street Committee Recommending This Location for Statue.

The Jackson Monument Corporation has addressed a letter to the members of the Street Committee setting forth the reasons why the corporation selected the intersection of the Boulevard and Monument Avenue as a suitable site for the monument to the famous Confederate commander. It is pointed out that monuments to Stuart, Lee and Davis now stand on Monument Avenue, and that the Boulevard, at the intersection of Monument Avenue, will, for all time to come, be one of the most public of all sites in the western section of the city; that it is near the Confederate Memorial Building, the ground of Lee Camp Soldiers' Home, and that it will be in keeping with the entire vicinity. Other suggested sites are stated, are remote, and are in the hands of private property owners, in locations to which the city has not extended its improvements and which will require purchase at considerable cost.

The city has promised to provide a site for the memorial, and other locations suggested at Rosemeath Road and Monument Avenue, and at Westview, where a grant of sixteen acres for park use has been offered.

Alderman Puller's resolution to extend Monument Avenue from Rosemeath Road to the new corporate limits will not be presented until the next meeting of the Board of Aldermen, owing to the delay in obtaining the necessary data upon which to base an ordinance providing for the improvement.

Reports Office Robbed.

R. W. Sampson, 422 North Sixth street, yesterday reported to the police that his office safe had been robbed of \$13.91. Detectives will investigate the report to-day.

DR. CHRISTIAN ELECTED

Succeeds Rev. J. Y. Downman as Head of Ministerial Union.

The annual meeting of the Ministerial Union of Richmond was held Monday morning, with Rev. J. Y. Downman presiding. The address was made by Howard T. Colvin, of the Virginia Federation of Labor, on "A Trade Unionist's View of the Church." Following Mr. Colvin was an open discussion of the relationship of the church with the workingman.

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- Comb, Brush and Watch Pouch,
- Mirror Sets,
- Loocket and Chain,
- Cross and Chain,
- Bar Pins,
- Cuff Buttons,
- String Pearls,
- Jewel Case,
- Fountain Pen,
- Signal Ring,
- Shirt Stud,
- Unbrilla,
- Cane,
- Cigarette Case,
- Shaving Sets,
- Match Case.

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You have nothing to gain and everything to lose by putting off your Christmas shopping until a later date. To-day, stocks are at their best. Shop to-day.

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Seventh and Main

FRIENDS WANT PARDON FOR COWBOY PRISONER

Search Papers for Story of Shooting for Which Harry Wichaway Was Convicted.

HAS SERVED SEVEN YEARS

Member of "101 Ranch" Wild West Show at Jamestown Exposition Was Sent to Penitentiary for Shooting His Sweetheart.

Seven long years Harry Wichaway, convicted of the murder of his sweetheart in Newport News and sentenced to serve ten years in penal servitude, has today in convict camps, apparently abandoned and forgotten by his relatives, friends and associates of former days. Yesterday, friends began a movement looking to an application to the Governor for his pardon.

Although Wichaway, who was born and reared on a ranch in Arizona, stoutly protested his innocence of the woman's death when he was arrested, standing beside the dead body with the pistol from which the fatal bullet was fired, in his hand, although he never deviated an iota during the incarceration prior to his trial, from his original story in which he declared that the tragedy was purely an accident, and although he has never since altered his explanation of the woman's death, no voice was ever raised in his defense or to intercede for the bluff, uncouth, rough-mannered cowboy save that of the lawyer he employed to defend him when he faced the jury.

FRIENDS SEARCH RECORDS FOR ACCOUNTS OF TRIAL.

At the lapse of seven years friends have apparently come to the rescue of the almost forgotten cowboy, who, unaware of their identity or that any person on earth is interested in his fate, is now toiling on the public roads in his convict garb in Rappahannock county.

The first intimation of an effort to enlist the sympathy of the prison officials and the Governor in the case of the Arizona man came yesterday, when interested persons began searching the files of the newspapers at the State Library for the printed reports of Wichaway's trial. These reports disclose that the cowboy was a member of the company of cowboys attached to the "101 Ranch Wild West" at the Jamestown Exposition. Practically nothing was known of the man or his history even by the officers of the incorporated West show or by the general manager of the show, Charles W. Rex, of Richmond.

NEAR NEWPORT NEWS.

Wichaway had a sweetheart known as Nellie, in Bloodfield, the district adjoining Newport News in Warwick county. On the day of the departure of the show from Norfolk for New York Wichaway went to the woman's house. Passersby heard the report of a revolver and entering the house found the cowboy standing beside the dead body of the girl. He told the officers who entered with the crowd that he had accidentally slain the woman. He explained that he had called to bid her good-bye; that while they were chatting he had drawn the gun from its holster in his belt and was toying with it, twirling the weapon around on his forefinger, a common practice with the cowboys of the show, when it exploded and the bullet entered the girl's body, killing her instantly. This story was generally discredited. It was Wichaway's only defense. The Wild West show, with all of Wichaway's companions, had departed and none of the showmen evinced any interest in the fate of the man left behind.

The cowboy was not entirely without means and he brought a lawyer from Arizona, whom he had known in his boyhood days, to Newport News to defend the case. That there was some doubt as to the guilt of the cowboy in the minds of the jury was indicated by the penalty prescribed. At the end

CHILDREN'S HOME SOCIETY IN URGENT NEED OF MONEY

Superintendent Reports Fifty Cases of Destitution in State Waiting for Immediate Attention.

Funds to help in caring for the thirty or more children under its care, are needed by the Children's Home Society of Virginia. Money must be furnished at once in order that many urgent appeals for help may be met.

The society was founded fourteen years ago, and during that time it has received and cared for 1,519 children. It now has 750 children under its supervision in family homes. An average of more than thirty children is maintained at the receiving home, 2605 East Franklin Street.

Rev. William J. Mayhew is superintendent of the society, which aims to care for destitute and homeless children until placed in respectable families can be found for them. The children come from all sections of the State.

Fifty cases have been reported from various parts of the State, and money is urgently needed to aid these children. The society also has \$2,000 at once to pay outstanding bills for clothing and food used to supply the needs of the homeless ones already under its supervision.

All checks or contributions to the society should be sent to Robert M. Kent, Jr., treasurer of the society, at the headquarters, 2605 East Franklin Street.

Roonke Police After Lee.

Robert Lee, alias Myrtle Lee, twenty-one years old, arrested by Detective Sergeant Kregel Tuesday afternoon as a fugitive from justice from Roanoke, where he was wanted on a felony charge, will be held by the local police until the arrival of Deputy-Sergeant Allen, of Roanoke, who is now on his way to Richmond to claim him. Lee is said to have participated in the robbery of a Pullman car at the Norfolk and Western Station in Roanoke, on November 30.

Xmas Suggestions For All

By the Store "Where the Wise Shoppers Meet"

The Big Berry Store is just brimful of good, dependable, serviceable and common-sense Christmas gifts for men and boys.

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A Few of the Sensible and Suitable Things

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- Flannel Shirts,
- Other Shirts,
- Pajamas,
- Silk Pajamas,
- Underwear,
- Canes,
- Umbrellas,
- Silk Hose,
- Fur Gloves,
- Auto Gloves,
- Collar Bag,
- Initialed Handkerchiefs,
- Stick Pins,
- Cuff Links,
- Pink and Link Sets,
- Silk Mufflers,
- Tan Kid Gloves,
- Gray Suede Gloves,
- White Gloves,
- Chamois Gloves,
- Pullman Slippers,
- Full Dress Shirts,
- Full Dress Ties,
- Garters,
- Bath Robes,
- Terry Blankets,
- House Robes,
- House Coats,
- Belts,
- Belts with Initialed Buckles,
- Fancy Suspenders,
- Sweater Coats,
- Silk Handkerchiefs,
- Linen Handkerchiefs,
- Fancy Waistcoats,
- Traveling Bags,
- Full Dress Pobs,
- Full Dress Studs and Links,
- Tuxedo Shirts,
- Tuxedo Ties,
- Tuxedo Vests,
- Tuxedo Fobs,
- Tuxedo Studs and Links,
- Set Scarf and Hose,
- Set Bath Robe and Slippers,
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- All in Xmas Boxes.

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Christmas holidays come but once a year. Enjoy them, make the most of them. They are fuller of human meaning than all the other holidays put together.

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